

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1520**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Niello**

February 22, 2005

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An act to amend Section 21800 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1520, as introduced, Niello. Vehicles: yield.

Existing law provides rules of the road governing the yielding of vehicles at intersections.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes in that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21800 of the Vehicle Code is amended  
2 to read:  
3 21800. (a) The driver of a vehicle approaching an  
4 intersection shall yield the right-of-way to ~~any~~ a vehicle ~~which~~  
5 *that* has entered the intersection from a different highway.  
6 (b) (1) When two vehicles enter an intersection from different  
7 highways at the same time, the driver of the vehicle on the left  
8 shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on his or her immediate  
9 right, except that the driver of ~~any~~ a vehicle on a terminating  
10 highway shall yield the right-of-way to ~~any~~ a vehicle on the  
11 intersecting continuing highway.

(2) For the purposes of this section, “terminating highway” means a highway ~~which~~ *that* intersects, but does not continue beyond the intersection, with another highway ~~which~~ *that* does continue beyond the intersection.

(c) When two vehicles enter an intersection from different highways at the same time and the intersection is controlled from all directions by stop signs, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on his or her immediate right.

(d) (1) The driver of ~~any~~ *a* vehicle approaching an intersection ~~which~~ *that* has official traffic control signals that are inoperative shall stop at the intersection, and may proceed with caution when it is safe to do so. This ~~subparagraph shall apply~~ *paragraph applies* to traffic control signals that become inoperative because of battery failure.

(2) When two vehicles enter an intersection from different highways at the same time, and the official traffic control signals for the intersection are inoperative, the driver of the vehicle on the left shall yield the right-of-way to the vehicle on his or her immediate right, except that the driver of ~~any~~ *a* vehicle on a terminating highway shall yield the right-of-way to any vehicle on the intersecting continuing highway.

(e) This section does not apply to ~~any~~ *of* the following:

(1) ~~Any~~ *An* intersection controlled by an official traffic control signal or yield right-of-way sign.

(2) ~~Any~~ *An* intersection controlled by stop signs from less than all directions.

(3) When vehicles are approaching each other from opposite directions and the driver of one of the vehicles intends to make, or is making, a left turn.